Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The compounder's duties are to dispense with the medicines prescribed by the doctor and also to keep the accounts of the Vaidyasala and maintain the registers, etc.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Is he an ordinary compounder or a sishyan?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—We call him compounder.

Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri.—May I know whether there are compounders in all the Vaidyasalas?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Yes.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know how long has this gentleman been looking after the duties of the Vaidyan?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The Vaidyan was asked to enter on leave on 5th Mithunam 1107. The compounder took charge from that day but the Vaidyan was not relieved till the end of Mithunam.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has any inquiry been made whether he was relieved only in Karkadagam as a matter of fact?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—No inquiry been made.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can I take it that the word 'uttaravu' appearing in yesterday's and to-day's questions and answers will be deleted from the Proceedings?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I am sure the Secretary will look into it.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can the House rest assured that it will not find a place in the regular reports?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I suppose you must ask the Secretary about it.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I ask the Government.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Are we to understand that these compounders are the disciples or the sishyas of the Vaidyans, so that they might be appointed in case of vacancies arising?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—He might be a sishyan of this particular Vaidyan or a sishyan of some other Vaidyan.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Has he any qualification and has he passed any examination?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—He has not passed any examination.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—My question has not been answered.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—It shall be deleted.

Officer for training for the Diwan Peishkar's post.

120. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar:—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(a) whether they have selected any officer from the service to undergo training for the Diwan Peishkar's post;

(b) the date on which the term of service of the present Diwan Peishkar expires in the ordinary course of things;

(c) if the answer to sub-division (a) is in the negative, the reasons for not doing so?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) The question is receiving attention.

(b) On 19th Meenam 1108 (1st April 1933).

(c) The question does not arise, in view of the answer to question (a).

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—What is the period of training?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is not fixed.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Is the training in Cochin?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—None of the details has been decided.

Delay in notifying of the text-books prescribed for Schools.

121. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the date on which the schools were re-opened this year;

(b) the date on which the notification regarding the text-books prescribed for schools for this year was published in the Gazette;

(c) the date on which the final order prescribing the text-books was communicated to the authors or publishers of the books;

(d) the date or dates on which the books were made available to the public?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) 17th Edavam 1107.

(b) Notification dated 15th Edavam 1107 was published in the Gazette on 29th Edavam 1107.

(c) 15th Edavam 1107.

(d) No such statistics were collected as there was no occasion for it.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What is the delay in passing orders prescribing text-books? The school re-opened on the 17th. Orders were passed only on the 15th.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There was some interim correspondence with the Government about the resolutions and recommendations of the Board of Studies. Because some of them were not strictly in accordance with the orders issued by the Government there was some amount of interim correspondence.

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